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Serial No. : 09/806,989
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Title : METHOD FOR TREATING INSULIN RESISTANCE
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.97(b)

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(a) and in conformance with the procedures of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-98 and M.P.E.P. § 609, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are provided herewith.

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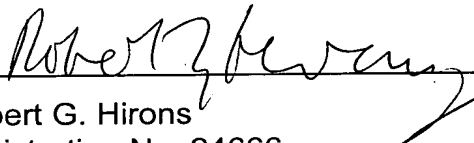
It is respectfully requested that the information above be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

Kindly charge the applicable fee of \$180 to our deposit account of 13-2400.

Respectfully Submitted,

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